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After another week, we will refer to him as "ex-president" Theodore Roosevelt.

Four more good working days, before the complete change will come over the White House atmosphere.

Just a good healthy frost this morning, to those of us who got up before the sun had run it in.

Of course we won't have any more politics this year, but there's nothing like trotting out the collection and looking over them.

If this governor's race keeps up much more fuss, we will figure on trying to get out a wire-grass candidate that will put the people to guessing.

This town's young, but its getting old mighty fast. It ain't over as easy to bounce as it once was.

A pearl necklace worth \$50,000, so 'tis said, was stolen from a young lady at San Francisco the other night at a hotel. She must be thinking of going on the stage.

Councilman Klein, of Pittsburg has given the thing away. During the graft trials, he remarked that he'd rather be councilman than mayor, for there was more money in it. Pennsylvania has as much graft as Boston has culture.

Washington lived before such an institution as the Annapolis Club of America, limited, was established. It was possible in those days for public men not to lie.

William Allen White, says the American Magazine, is soon to start to Europe with his family to spend the spring and summer, now right away. It is not such an uncommon thing, these days, for a country editor to go abroad, but it has been some time since one went from the wire-grass.

Mr. Taft says he is tired of hearing so much about educating the Southern negro. He thinks the white race needs help on these lines as well as the negroes.

If the mother who has reared seven stalwart sons to manhood deserves a pension from the government, how about the prolific mother who has raised seven girls to womanhood? Does't the latter deserve as great and even a greater pension than the mother of the seven sons?

Outside of a little interview in one of the ladies journals, Mrs. Taft has stayed out of print, and kept her pictures mighty close, considering the position she is about to assume.

We hear only praise now for President-elect Taft. But if the incoming president is of any account, he will soon be doing things which will displease somebody, and then he will begin to get the usual cursing.

It is said that the probable tampering with the tariff is responsible for the weakness in the steel market. Something must be badly wrong when the L. and N. railroad can buy American steel rails in Europe and pay the freight both ways across the Atlantic and lay them down for less money than they can be bought at home.

It had been a long time since our folks had seen anything of Shakespeare on the Dothan stage, till the extra announcement that "Twelfth Night, or What You Will, was about to be put on, brought forth the highest-browed crowd we've seen assembled after dark in many months. So anxious were we all, that the house was well filled at eight o'clock, although no one expected the curtain to go up before nine, as usual the advance notices to the contrary notwithstanding. No one in Dothan expects to see the curtain rise on the time advertised.

The Eagle's Dramatic Editor has Shakespeare in three different styles of bindings, not for the purpose of familiarizing himself with the famous poet, but because no library seems complete without his works, and a dinky earthen bust, to cap off the book cases with. Hardly no one reads at all, but who has memorized a verse or two from Shakespeare just to use as fillers in a cultured conversation. It gives an air of much deep reading.

The first thing that attracted the Dramatic Editor's attention was the uncommon long time it took the sea captain to get drunk. He would get so full while swaggering about the coast of Illyria, till he was due to be torn before he reached Oliver's house, but when he showed up at Orsino's palace, he had just begun to drink, from all appearances.

Malvolio was the only real gentlemanly gentleman in the crowd and he proved to be no gentleman at all, but a more stinky who spent all of his time posing and weighing his words, but we backed up his sentiment when he rushed upon the sea captain and the clown with "Have you no wit, manners, nor honesty?... Is there no respect of place, person, or time in you?"

This excellent play that deserves the highest kind of praise, lagged in some section of the house, for the boys in the rear began to jump it for the moving pictures early in the first act. Some wouldn't do a thing like that, but watched in silence, determined to see what it was all about, for it was Standard stuff and it had to go; it just had to be appreciated.

The D. E. paid respectful attention as he always does when looking for the thread of the story, but it must have got by while the lights were off waiting for Sir Tobey to change his whiskers. To this good hour he has seen nothing of the thread, nor the plot. Along toward the close of the fourth act the thought occurred that the actors might have been shooting over the D. E.'s head; but no sign was apparent on the ceiling, although the shots must have been high, for many of the audience rested in perfect quietude, some yawning, some chewing gum, some chatting about the high license ordinance others of Mardi Gras, while others declared openly that this would be a good season at Panama City, since the excursion rates are effective to-morrow.

It was an interesting sight, to watch a few of that audience plan to escape without attracting too much attention, and having the finger of scorn pointed at them for not knowing enough to appreciate good dramatic art when they had it right before their eyes. Some made good their escape, including the D. E., and he was relieved to see others rubber-heeling it down the steps ahead of him. But many—all of those who can appreciate something keyed high in art, looked bored and interested to the end, but didn't burst forth in ecstatic hand clappings except when the drunken clown, with mismatched legs, fell over and was too drunk to rise again. They thought he was laid out for good,

but the scoundrel came right back every time.

The official head of the department of Dramatic Art for this paper left a competent sub. with full instructions to stay to the end, or till the whole force had been laid out or run in for disorder; and further, he was instructed to give a detailed account of what took place and why was it; what the final act was; where the laugh came, or the choking feeling in the throat, if any. And he hasn't reported.

All the people who walked about on the stage, or who said anything, said it well, at the right time, and they all knew their parts. They are people who are making a living by pulling this off every night, in different towns, of course, and while they are doing their stunts as the book says, still we fail to see what they are doing it all for, or what's the meaning of it all.

We fear we have fooled away good time pouring over Gibbon's Rome and Laura Jean Libby's collection, and Poe's, and Dickens', and Balzac's, and other branches of the classics.

About all the reading we ever did in Shakespeare was trying to run down a quotation, to prove, or disprove it, and we are not like the yung woman who claimed to have read all of his works, "unless he had written something new within the last year or two."

We are going to read the advance notice of the next one coming from the Bard of Avon, wherever he was from, and see what no name on the program escapes personal mention.

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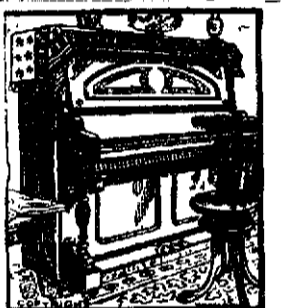
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3 30 p.m.	8 45 a.m. Lv. ... Dothan	Ar. 12 35 p.m.	6 55	
5 05	10 40 Ar. Cottondale...	Lv. 11 00	5 20	
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8 45	1 50 Ar. .. Panama City...	Lv. 7 00 a.m.	2 15 p.m.	

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J G Owens went down to Campbellton this morning.

New Spring Novelties—see show window display—Whaley's.

Sam Dunwoody, of Columbia was here yesterday and today.

Judge Leshe and wife returned today from a visit to New Orleans.

Foy Walden and wife are the happy parent of a fine boy that arrived last night.

W T Harvey has returned from Jacksonville, where he had been on a trip of a day of two.

The price of steel is rapidly going down. This may however cause steel buildings to go up.

John Crapps, of Alaga, came up yesterday evening to witness the Shakespearean production.

Washington was descended from a titled English family and was the eldest child of his father's second wife, Mary Ball.

J R Faircloth has been confined to his home for several days with illness. He came down town yesterday evening but found that he was too weak to be up and had to be carried home.

FRANKLIN NOTES

The Franklin Society met last Monday with the Ciceronian Society, and the Seventh Grade, as visitors. There were also other visitors, including Mr John Crawford, one of the late graduates of the High School, and previously a loyal member of the Franklin Society.

It being the anniversary of Washington's birthday, the exercises were carried out in commemoration of this great man. The program was rendered by the members of the Franklin Society. After the program had been rendered, the Franklin's had a

business meeting. Everyone is invited to attend the public debate between the Ciceronian and Franklin societies, next Friday night. It will not begin until 8 30 o'clock, so that every one can attend preaching at the Foster Street Church before the debate. Besides the debate there will be music and declamations. A small admittance fee will be charged which will go to the High School library.

Lawrence Hughes, Roy O Hill.

ONE ON US

Houston county has one candidate for Judge of Probate who has already announced and in his announcement he is kind enough to give his past history.

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"And does your husband still think you are an angel?"

"Oh yes!" At least he seems to think I don't need any new clothes."—Pick Me Up.

"Women's minds are much cleaner than men's," remarked Mrs. Oliver Herford.

"They ought to be," replied her husband, "they change them so much oftener."—Everybody's Magazine.

"Do you think it an advantage for a young singer to go abroad to study?"

"I dunno as it's any advantage," replied Mr. Camron. "But it's mighty considerate of the home folks and the neighbors."—Washington Star.

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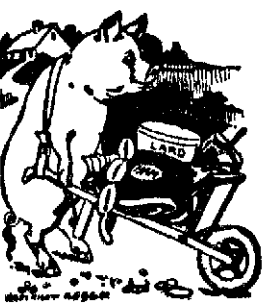
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